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# Cheesecake

1979-CG (ex-Anhkheg) Endgame statistics ("to" means including)

AUSTRIA: Nick Russon.

ENGLAND: Gerry van Alkemade to F'04; Mike Conner to W'08; John Stewart.

FRANCE : Clive Tonge to S'06; Jim Stanger to F'07; Steve Langley.

GERMANY: Markus Rostig to W'03; Al Rodriguez to S'06; Garry Hamlin.

ITALY : Francois Cuerrier to S'08; Mike Drews.

RUSSIA : Trevor Baillie to F'05; Dick Martin.

TURKEY : Bob Albrecht to F'04; Gary Coughlan.

'ZINE : THE BEHÖLDER (John Kelley) to F'03; CHEESECAKE.

	'01	'02	'03	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13
AUSTRIA:	4	4	2	0									
ENGLAND:	5	5	6	6	5	6	6	7	8	9	9	7	8
FRANCE :	5	5	5	6	6	6	5	4	4	4	4	5	4
GERMANY:	5	5	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	0			
ITALY :	5	5	7	9	9	12	11	10	11	10	11	11	12
RUSSIA :	6	5	7	8	8	7	9	10	8	8	7	8	7
TURKEY :	4	5	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3

Endgame statements from... Dick Martin (Russia)

Boy, am I glad this game is over. It was interesting for a while, until Gary decided to bring his vendetta against me into the picture. We quickly sank into trench warfare, and the game was effectively over several game years before the draw passed. Boring, boring, boring. At least the end result was gratifying - a DIAS draw!

Thanks to Steve and John for a fine alliance. Thanks to Mike for keeping it as interesting as possible. Thanks to Gary for providing just the proper touch of absurdity. And special thanks to the Shell Answer Man for GMing a fine game and putting up with our childishness. Let's not do it again some time, OK?

... and ... Gary Coughlan (Turkey)

I inherited this position in Winter 1904 and with Turkey just losing Bulgaria to a combined Russian-Italian invasion and forced to remove one, it was one of the better positions that Andy has given me. (The one just before this was a unitless, SC-less Turkey which could only vote on an upcoming draw).

I made the mistake of believing Francois Cuerrier's Italy due to two special delivery letters from Canada. In those days, I was easily impressionable! At that point, I allied with the Russian Trevor Baillie, an alliance I continued when Dick Martin inherited the Russian position.

Italy was in danger of winning the game so it was agreed that England, France, Russia and Turkey would work together to stop the leader. From Fall 1905 (2 seasons after I had inherited the position) until Spring 1909 I fought totally against Italy which was the main menace I felt. Constantinople fell to the Italians and I only had 2 units. I supported the Russians into Constantinople in order to deny it to the Italians.

1979-CG continued

During the four game years while I whole-heartedly fought Italy (really my only option since I only had two units), France, England and Russia were playing footsie with each other's centers rather than concentrating on stopping Italy. So when a new Italy, Mike Drews, took over he wrote me asking to change sides. I refused saying I could not do so without being exterminated by the Russians who were in Constantinople and Armenia.

But Mike wrote back and showed me a viable plan which would not only allow my survival but even to recover all of Turkey. In the meantime, Russia was asking me to convoy his Armenian army into Bulgaria. Allied with Martin's Russia, all the supply centers we had conquered jointly had gone to him and I was as weak as ever. And bored with being the only one fighting Italy totally. Since, by this time, Italy had been whittled down from his peak strength and my adhesion to his side would not immediately allow him to win the game and would give me another center for certain and the possibility of more - something the Russians couldn't deliver and hadn't delivered for 4 years - I switched sides and joined the Italians.

Turkey almost immediately regained Constantinople and by game's end cleared Turkey's homeland and neighboring seas of Russian units and no longer could any one power be in a position to unilaterally take Turkey out of the game as Russia had been for 4 game years. Italy got a loyal ally who guarded his eastern front while Turkey was finally able to go on the offensive and tie down half of Russia's forces. I know Andy must have choked when I had a CHEESECAKE position which had its complete homeland!

Mike Drews is an excellent diplomat and I enjoyed working with him. I also enjoyed the press wars with Steve Langley and with Dick Martin, except when Martin dragged in an outside feud he and I were having into the press of this game where it had no place. Martin also felt that I switched sides because of this feud which was not true. Frustration with no possibility of future growth for my Turkey and Mike Drews' first-rate diplomacy which promised growth won me over. It was iffy at first, sort of touch-and-go, but it then became clear that I had made the right decision. And had Italy collapsed in the west to the combined Anglo-French attacks, my Turkey would have been in prime position to acquire many centers - something not even remotely possible as a Russian ally.

And thanks to Andy for being a great GM. I enjoy every game the Water Rat puts me in, even when the positions are cruddy as they usually are. OK, Andy, I'm ready for another assignment. How about a 3 unit power this time?!

Nah. Next, John Stewart (England)

All in all the draw wasn't bad and hopefully whatever was between Dick and Gary is over and done with. As Dick feared, my original intention, when called on as a standby, was to attack Russia and see if I could beat Mike to a win. However, the former England gave one last gasp before NMRing out and that cost me the position and timing for a northern offensive.

After that I decided to work with Steve and see if we could push Mike back in the south. This for me was the highlight of the game. I really enjoyed planning and communicating with Steve. And even though we didn't succeed, it was fun trying.

Mike played well while Gary and I were too far apart to do much, but I did like Gary's press. Guess that is about it. So long everybody. At least until the next game.

Yes, that is about it for 1979-CG.

ALDO CELLA (1982-HJ) Fall 1904

AUSTRIA (Russ Pugh) F ADR-Tri.

ENGLAND (Jeff Ellis) Retreat F NWY-NWG; F NTH-NWY, F BAR S F NTH-NWY,  
F NWG S F NTH-NWY, F BEL-NTH.

FRANCE (Chuck Kaplan) F Tun-ION, F TYR S F Tun-ION, A Pie-VEN, A TUS S A Pie-VEN,  
A Mar-PIE, A BUR holds, F Mid-WES.

GERMANY (Ken Iverson) A Ruh-MUN, A Den-SWE, F BAL S A Den-SWE, A War-MOS,  
A LVN S A War-MOS, A Sil-WAR.

ITALY (Pete Fuchs) F Ion-NAP, F Ven holds (dislodged, may retreat to Apu or OTB),  
A TRI S F Ven, A Ser-RUM, A BUD S A Ser-RUM.

RUSSIA (Bob Sweeney) F NWY-SKA, F STP(nc)-NWY, A Swe S F STP(nc)-NWY (dislodged,  
retreat to Fin or OTB), A Rum-Sev (dislodged, Gal or OTB), A UKR S A Rum-Sev.

TURKEY (Freeman Butland) A SEV S ITALIAN A Ser-RUM, F BLA S A SEV,  
F BUL(sc) holds, F GRE-Ion.

#### SUPPLY CENTERS

AUSTRIA (0): Lost Bud, Bul - out!

ENGLAND (5): Home, Bel, NWY - even, but may build one.

FRANCE (8): Home, Por, Spa, Tun, Rom, VEN - took VEN - may build one.

GERMANY (8): Home, Den, Hol, WAR, MOS, SWE - took MOS, SWE - may build two.

ITALY (6): NAP, TRI, Vie, Ser, BUD, RUM - lost Ven; took BUD, RUM - entitled to  
one, but nowhere to build.

RUSSIA (1): STP - lost Mos, Sev, Rum, Swe - must remove four.

TURKEY (6): Home, GRE, BUL, SEV - took BUL, SEV - may build two.

PRESS NO DATELINE: From the grave, foul Fuchs, I strike thee!

RUSSIA: ... and with the fall, I also fall... and then there were five...

RUSSIA - GERMANY: What did I do to you? (ans: exist?)

RUSSIA - WORLD: One lackey complete with two white armies. Desires  
understanding commander, high pay & low risks (desires not expects). References  
on demand.

PARIS - DUAL MONARCHY: We'll miss you.

PARIS - ANKARA: May I visit?

LONDON - PARIS: Enjoying the sun, huh? While my men get scurvy, you sit on your  
buns all nice and comfy. Whatever's fair.

NORWAY: As the Russian Fleet entered the port in Norway, the townspeople  
scattered in all directions, knowing the perverted things that Russian military  
men have done. Sexual abuse both to men and women is a big problem, along with  
homosexuality to unwilling victims.

SWEDEN: After all the fat piggies in the government announced their true  
loyalty to the "Great Mother Fucker", the townspeople all started to sulk over  
the loss of the dominant power of England. Ellis says that Sweden will soon be  
liberated by either the Germans or English, and tells the townspeople not to  
worry.

ENGLAND - ITALY: Good strategy, oh wise one.

ELLIS - SWEENEY: OK, bloodsucker. Took advantage of me when I was down, huh?  
Well, you're really gonna get it now!

BELGIUM: It has been 3 long years before the Royal Fleet stationed in Belgium  
has seen action. Most of the men in the fleet now have children of Belgiumeze (?)  
women. Life is tough.

ANSWER: What combined forces? I don't see no combined forces. Do you see any  
combined forces?

TO THE MOST VILE, DISGUSTING & NAUSEATING COUNTRY IN EUROPE: Picking on ol' Ma,  
are we? Well, at least my mom shaves her armpits, so NAH!

Winter 1904 & Spring 1905 are due October 20.

TRICKY-WOO (1981-HC) Fall 1910

ENGLAND (John Shea) F STP(nc) holds, A FIN S F STP(nc), F DEN holds, F Eng-IRI, F Bre-ENG, F NTH S F Bre-ENG, F MID holds, F NAT S F MID.

FRANCE (Mike Drews) F Pic-BRE, A PAR S F Pic-BRE, A BEL holds.

ITALY (Bern Sampson) F POR S ENGLISH F MID.

RUSSIA (Paul Rauterberg) A Sev-RUM, A Mos-UKR, A Lvn-MOS, A Sil-GAL, A TRI-Ser, A VEN holds, A Kie-HOL, A RUH S A Kie-HOL, A Mun-KIE, A BUR S FRENCH A BEL, A GAS S FRENCH F Pic-BRE, A MAR S A GAS.

TURKEY (Jim Meinel) A Ank-ARM, A ALB-Ser, A ROM-Apu, A NAP-Apu, F WES-Mid, F NAF S F WES-Mid, F SPA(sc) S F WES-Mid, F LYO S F SPA(sc), F Ion-TYR, F Aeg-ION.

SUPPLY CENTERS

ENGLAND (7): Home, Nwy, Swe, STP, DEN - lost Bre - must remove one.

FRANCE (3): PAR, BEL, BRE - lost Hol; took BRE - even.

ITALY (1): POR - even.

RUSSIA (13): Austria plus Germany, MOS, Sev, War, RUM, VEN, MAR, HOL - took Hol - may build one.

TURKEY (10): Home, Gre, Bul, Tun, NAP, Ser, ROM, SPA - even.

PRESS PORTUGAL - ANKARA: Even if Brest falls, you still won't crack the Mid. And France's 1 fleet won't make a difference. But if Rauterberg takes France's 3 centers plus Brest, he'll be at 16, needing only 2 Turk centers for the win. Haven't you wondered why he keeps shooting down the draw votes? If you don't think he would stab an ally for a win, ask him about 80-AD and 79-IN. Better yet, ask his former allies.

ITALY-IN-EXILE: Nice guy that I am, I once again propose the 5-way FRITE draw. Since neither Turkey or Russia can gain 18 centers without stabbing one-another, why not state your intentions now?

ST.PETE - ANCHORAGE: Care for a game of hockey?

ANCHORAGE - ST.PETE: No way.

ST.PETE - ANCHORAGE: Well, puck you!

LON - MOSCOW: You may yet win this game solo, provided you get a little help from your Turkish friend... right, Jim?

All proposed draws failed. F-R-I-T-E has been reproposed. Vote.

John will have a new address as of September 18: 610 Lincoln, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

Votes and orders are due October 20.

DESMODROMIC (1980-AR) Delayed due to an inconclusive draw vote

FRANCE (Don Tinker) Has As YOR, PIC, BUR, TRI, PIE, ROM, TUN, Fs BRE, ADR, ION, NAP, TYR.

GERMANY (Mike Conner) Has As BUL, RUM, UKR, MOS, BUD, GAL, TYO, VIE, BOH, SIL, Fs HEL, BAL, BAR.

ITALY (Mike Mills) Has A VEN.

RUSSIA (Eric Verheiden) Has nothing, but owns Bud.

TURKEY (James Woodson) Has As CON, SER, ARM, Fs EAS, ALB, AEG.

One or more of you didn't vote on the proposed draws and/or concessions, so you'll get another chance. Failure to vote this time will count as a "yes".

Nobody who has voted on a specific proposal may change that vote, and nobody may change Fall 1915 orders. Also, if more than one proposal passes, each country in each passing proposal will be included in a draw.

Votes are due October 20.

1982-CM Spring 1906

AUSTRIA (Rob Landeros) A VIE-Boh, A Tri-BUD, A VEN S ITALIAN A Tyo-Pie (NS A Tyo),  
F ADR S A VEN.

ENGLAND (Mark Keller) F STP(nc) holds, F Swe-NWY, A BEL-Pic, F NTH-Bel,  
F Lpl-IRI, F NAT-Mid, F ENG S F NAT-Mid.

FRANCE (Russ Rusnak) A PIC-Bur, A Gas-MAR, A Tyo-Pie (dislodged, retreat to Tri  
or OTB), F WES-Mid, F BRE S F WES-Mid.

GERMANY (Bryan Jurkowski) A Bur-GAS, A RUH-Bur, A Mun-TYO, A PIE S A Mun-TYO,  
A SIL-Boh, A WAR-Gal, A MOS S RUSSIAN A SEV.

ITALY (Tim Burton) F Tun-NAF.

RUSSIA (Mike Mills) A Bud-RUM, A SEV S A Bud-RUM.

TURKEY (Don Tinker) A Ank-Arm (NSU), A Rum-Gal (dislodged, retreat to Ukr, OTB),  
A SER S AUSTRIAN A Tri-BUD, F Con-BUL(ec), F Smy-AEG, F Tyr-LYO, F Rom-TYR,  
F ION S F Rom-TYR.

PRESS ITALY TO TURKEY: As you once said, "While there's life, there's hope."

NEW PEOPLE'S PROLETARIAT OF RUSSIA: Delcassee? You are here in turbans? It is  
too small a world, qui? I hate finding myself playing 2nd violin, but alas I'll  
get good at it.

NPPR: New Government wishes all Europeans good health and happy hunting in the  
new year. With peace, bread and land as our motto we will guide the NPPR to  
greatness seldom seen. All capitals should send gifts to us in Sebastopol as soon  
as possible, lest we decide to wage war on you!

KAISER TO ALL: From here on in I'm on my own I guess.

GERMAN NAVAL NEWS: The Kaiser disbanded his one and only fleet. Any more fleets  
built will have glass bottoms so that his sailors will be able to see his old  
fleets at the bottom.

MUNICH TIMES: The people of Munich are preparing a great feast to celebrate the  
soon-to-be victory over the French army now lodged in the Alps. A special  
division was sent to Boh to cut off any retreat. The German army in Pie delayed  
its attack on Mar to aid the German army coming out of Mun in destroying the  
Frogs! The fine people of Munich are singing already, one such tune that can be  
heard all over Munich is this: (sung to Mary Had a Little Lamb)

Rusnak had a little army, little army, little army.

Now his army's dead and gone, dead and gone, dead and gone -  
Soon he'll be the same.

ISTANBUL: The crowds in the streets today were frantic with joy waving Turkish  
flags and celebrating the double launch of this proud nation's two newest  
battleships, the "Troy" and the "Ferdinand". Both ships were joint efforts of  
bilateral shipbuilding agreements. The "Troy" employs a radically different hull  
design, said to be capable of speeds great enough to carry it from Constantinople  
to the North Atlantic in one season. While the "Ferdinand", destined for duties  
in the Black Sea, is said to carry cannon of Austrian design capable of  
bombarding Moscow from the harbour at Ankara.

The British Charge d'affairs who has replaced the British ambassador did not  
attend the ceremonies and the gates of the embassy have remained closed since the  
recall of the British ambassador last season.

October 20 is the deadline for Fall 1906

1981-AL Spring 1908 only, by request

AUSTRIA (Charlie Letcher) A Con-BUL, A Ank-CON, F AEG-Ion, A UKR-Mos, A SEV S A UKR-Mos, A Vie-TYO, A TRI S A Vie-TYO, A Boh-Sil (dislodged, retreat Vie or OTB), A GAL S A Boh-Sil, A BUD holds.

ENGLAND (Tim Burton) F TUN-Ion, F Mid-SPA(sc), F WES S F Mid-SPA(sc), F Bre-MID, F Lpl-IRI, A Lon-DEN, F NTH C A Lon-DEN, F BOT holds, A STP S TURKISH A MOS.

FRANCE (Ken Iverson) A GAS-Spa, A POR S A GAS-Spa.

GERMANY (Bob Osuch) A MAR S ENGLISH F Mid-SPA(sc), A Par-BUR, A Pic-BRE, F ENG S A Pic-BRE, A Mun-BOH, A SIL S A Mun-BOH, A PRU S A SIL.

ITALY (Robert Acheson) F Smy-EAS, F Ion-TYR, A Rom-TUS, A Ven-PIE.

RUSSIA (Tom Kissner) A WAR S AUSTRIAN A SEV-Mos (NSO).

TURKEY (John Michalski) A MOS A GERMAN A PRU-War (NSO).

PRESS KREMLIN: Isn't it ironic to see R & T still slugging it out as we each sit at 1?

81-AL - 82-HC: Yeah, give it to Daf. She can have this one by concession too.

The A-E-G draw didn't pass. A-E and A-G have been proposed.

The proposal to reveal who asks for delays has not failed, but one or more of you haven't voted. If you do not vote by October 20, you will be counted as a "yes".

Fall 1908 orders and votes are due October 20.

1981-M Winter 1906 & Spring 1907

ENGLAND (Greg Fritz) Retreat A StP-FIN; build F LPL; F WES-Tun, F MID-Wes, F SPA(sc) S F MID-Wes, A MAR holds, A Wal-BEL, F ENG C A Wal-BEL, F Lpl-IRI, A Edi-NWY, F NTH C A Edi-NWY, A FIN S A Edi-NWY, F BOT holds, A Ber-PRU, F BAL S A Ber-PRU, A Kie-BER, A Mun-BOH, A TYO S A Mun-BOH.

ITALY (Russ Rusnak) Remove F Adr; A VEN S TURKISH A TRI-Tyo (NSO), F Rom-TUS, F NAF-Tun.

TURKEY (Bert Schoose?) NMR; A STP holds, A MOS holds, A WAR holds, A VIE holds, A TRI holds, F ALB holds, A RUM holds, F BLA holds, F TYR holds, F LYO holds.

PRESS ENGLAND - TURKEY: You must be high! There is no way I am going to give you a piece of the action. This game is mine and I urge you to continue your offensive. Let's see what you can do - but hurry, you only have one more turn to show us!

Doug Karnes (Box 77, Kemnay, Manitoba R0K 1E0), will you please standby for Turkey?

An E-T-I draw has been proposed. Please vote to avoid an unnecessary delay.

Your vote and Fall '07 orders are due October 20. They may be made contingent on who is playing Turkey.

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I have moved. My new address is...

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No, we don't live next door to the rubber chicken.